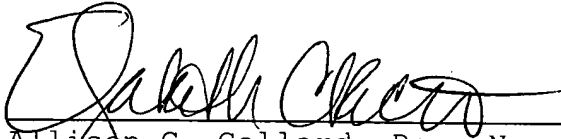


REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

By this Preliminary Amendment, claims 1-17 have been canceled and new claims 18-47 have been added, in order to further clarify the invention. No new matter has been introduced. Entry of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,  
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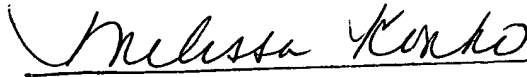
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